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SUBJECT 1. Coast Artillery Regiment of Durrës  
2. Army Battalions in Southern Albania  
3. 3 Border Guard Brigade  
4. Fortifications in Vidoshove Area

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1. The coast artillery regiment of Durres has the following platoons: Platoon of Shengjin, Platoon of Durres, Platoon of Saseno, Platoon of Sarande, and an administrative platoon.
2. The battalion (sic) of Durres has four batteries, each of which has 25 to 30 men and three 75.4 mm. artillery guns. Of the twelve guns in the battalion, two are Soviet OVES. Ammunition warehouses are reportedly located three kilometers north of Durres in the direction of Porta Romana.
3. Army battalions are located at Erseke, Delvine and Gjinokaster.
4. The commander of 3 Border Guard Brigade is Major Sulo Kozeli.<sup>1</sup> The Brigade is equipped with German, English and Italian armament.
5. From 1947 to 1950 cement machine gun posts were constructed on hills around the village of Videhove. The machine gun posts have a depth of 1 to 1.2 meters and can hold three persons. The posts are covered by three to four rows of tree trunks and about .6 to 1 meter of dirt. Trenches .5 to .6 meters deep connect the machine gun posts.
6. An anti-tank mine field is located about two kilometers from Videhove on the road towards Dipotamia in Greece.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment: Reported in other information, dated mid-1950, as commanding officer of 3 Field Artillery Regiment of 5 Infantry Division.

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